

MAYOR & COUNCIL AGENDA COVER SHEET

MEETING DATE:

August 21, 2006

CALL TO PODIUM:

Ollie Mumpower

RESPONSIBLE STAFF:

Ollie Mumpower

AGENDA ITEM:

(please check one)

	Presentation
	Proclamation/Certificate
	Appointment
	Public Hearing
	Historic District
X	Consent Item
	Ordinance
	Resolution
	Policy Discussion
	Work Session Discussion Item
	Other:

PUBLIC HEARING HISTORY:

(Please complete this section if agenda item is a public hearing)

Introduced	
Advertised	
Hearing Date	
Record Held Open	
Policy Discussion	

TITLE:

Resolution of the Mayor and City Council Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Contract to Purchase Two (2) Solar Powered Variable Message Signs (\$33,997)

SUPPORTING BACKGROUND:

Solar powered message signs Unit numbers 6467 (put in service in1997) and 6468 (put in service in1999) have reached the end of their useful life and are fully funded for replacement.

We use these signs primarily along our residential streets as a part of our traffic calming program. These units measure the speed of vehicles and then display the speeds for motorists to see. The purpose of this program is to increase motorist speed awareness, and through peer pressure, encourage speeds in closer conformance with the speed limit.

We also use these signs for traffic control during construction projects and to alert motorists of special events along our roadways.

Staff looked at several different manufactures of these signs and concluded that the units developed by Solar Technology Inc. best meets our needs.

Solar Technology has a GS contract with the Federal Government for this product. They have agreed to sell us two units at prices discounted below the GS pricing.

Sufficient funds are available for this purchase in the Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Fund.

DESIRED OUTCOME:

Vote on Resolution

Resolution Request Form

REQUEST FORM FOR RESOLUTIONS PERTAINING
TO EXPENDITURES FROM THE CITY BUDGET
(CONTRACTS/PURCHASES, TRANSFER FUNDS)

(Please attach the Mayor and Council Agenda Cover Sheet to this Form. For contracts/purchases, the Cover Sheet MUST include a list of all bidders and bid amounts.)

Requested by: Ollie Mumpower Date of City Council Meeting: August 21, 2006

AUTHORIZING

Purchase X Award Contract _____ Transfer Funds _____ Negotiate/
Execute a Contract _____

BID INFORMATION:

Advertisement Date _____ N/A
Newspaper(s) _____

Bids Opened/Tabulated (date) _____ N/A

DESCRIPTION OF ITEM(S):

(Be specific; include quantity, item name, model number, etc.)

Two (2) MB2-2248 Silent Messenger II Variable Message Signs with Radar Speed Monitor

CONTRACTED/PURCHASE FROM:

Company Name: Solar Technology Inc.

Street Address: 7620 Cetronia Road

P. O. Box Number _____

City/State/Zip: Allentown, PA 18106

CONTRACT/PURCHASE AMOUNT: 33,997.00

Check One: In the Estimated Amount of _____ Not to Exceed X _____

FUNDS TO BE EXPENDED FROM: Operating Budget X Capital Improvements Budget _____

Account Number: 310700 Vehicle & Equipment Replacement Fund (For Finance Department use only; not to be included in the Resolution)

VERIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

Available ✓ Not available _____

Howard Seltz 8/16/06
Finance Dept. Date

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING
THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO PURCHASE
TWO (2) SOLAR POWERED VARIABLE MESSAGE SIGNS

WHEREAS, Section 57 of the City Charter provides that the City Council may permit negotiations of contracts without sealed bids for products and services, where in the opinion of the Council, the interests of the City would be best served by negotiated contracts; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that Solar powered message signs Unit numbers 6467 and 6468 should be replaced and;

WHEREAS, the City wishes to purchase these units at a price discounted below the pricing for Federal Contract #GS-070F-5964P:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of Gaithersburg, that the City Manager be and he hereby is authorized to negotiate and award a contract to purchase Two (2) MB2-2248 Silent Messenger II Variable Message Signs with Radar Speed Monitor from Solar Technology Inc., 7620 Cetronia Road, Allentown, Pennsylvania, 18106, in the amount of Thirty-Three Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Seven Dollars (\$33,997), said funds to be expended from the Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Fund.

ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council this 21st day of August 2006.

SIDNEY A. KATZ, MAYOR and
President of the Council

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the foregoing
Resolution was adopted by the City Council
in public meeting assembled on the 21st day
of August 2006.

David B. Humpton, City Manager